

WANTS BIG DAMAGES

Mary Weist Asks the City to Pay Fifteen Thousand.

BOTH EYES ARE LOST

Brought to the Witness Stand in a Rocking Chair.

Mary E. Weist commenced her suit against the city for \$15,000 yesterday morning in the district court, the following gentlemen sitting as a jury: Joseph Nichols, J. A. Roach, J. W. Newlin, J. L. Stuckey, E. C. Smith, Sam Nolan, Frank Nickell, John Burwell, N. E. Smith, H. W. Miller, Ben Hanes and R. O. Culver. J. D. Houston and T. C. Wilson are prosecuting, Adams & Adams being for the city.

Mrs. Weist was brought to the witness stand in a rocking chair at 4:30 yesterday afternoon and in an hour's testimony stated the basis of her claim. She is 51 years old and lives in the Zimmerly block on the 3rd of February, 1892, she was walking south on Wabash avenue in front of A. T. Holla's. A horse board tripped her and she fell on her face, striking the back with her entire weight on her face and arms. The fall damaged her eyes and spinal column. In the first examination she stated that up to that time she had done her own housework; had taken in washing and done work for different families in town. Her eyes were good and her health such that she experienced no inconvenience in the hard labor required to support herself.

Since the accident she could not see from her left eye, and her right eye was nearly gone so that she could only distinguish the window or door of a lamp from objects in general. She cannot recognize the features of her friends and knows them only by their voices of by being told.

She had been out of her bed only a week or two since the fall, now nearly a year ago.

In the cross-examination by City Attorney Adams she stated that at the time she was hurt she lived on Ohio avenue. When she fell on the walk, on February 2, 1892, she was picked up by her son and led to Mrs. Morris' place on Central avenue, about one block distant. Advertisements were applied to the harness shop, but no doctor was called for two or three days, when she called Dr. Howe, an eye specialist. Afterwards Drs. Hamilton and Purdie were called. She had moved on February 6, three days after the accident, and in a few months had moved again, the move to the Zimmerly block being the third in the year that followed.

The court room was fairly well filled with spectators. Mrs. Weist had to be taken from the room after her testimony.

ATD BROTHERS

The D. D. club, an association of juvenile cyclists, is the most exclusive and modest secret order in the city. It holds its sessions in a piano box and every member is fined for dereliction of duty.

The engagement for a lecture by R. E. Peary in Wichita has been called off.

Carl Ratz, of the Globe-Town Works, had his thumb broken yesterday.

Adrian Houck has returned from Ann Arbor, Mich., where he was attending the state university. Mr. Houck is contemplating entering the hardware firm of I. M. Houck & Co., and will not return to the celebrated Michigan college.

TRIED TO LYNCH HIM

Former Wichita Boy in Trouble at Galena

Dick Ward, the colored young man who was about to be lynched at Galena, Kan., yesterday for stabbing a man, lived in Wichita for nearly four years. He worked at the old Metropolitan hotel for nearly two years, and was afterward employed by the Commercial club. He left Wichita last September for Galena, Kan., with a crowd of four. The following account of the attempt to lynch him was sent out from Galena:

A mob of twenty or more citizens of Galena and the morning Meridian train today for the purpose of hanging Dick Ward, a negro, who one week ago stabbed and killed Dennis Brown, Marshal of Galena. Ward was in charge and also two other prisoners, bringing them from the Columbus jail for a preliminary examination. On arriving at the depot in this city the officer was surrounded by the mob and ordered to deliver the prisoners. Instead of obeying he ordered the prisoners to "fly for their lives," which he did.

DRUG STORE BURNT OUT

Total Loss to Mr. Butterfield's Stock Yesterday.

Yesterday morning about 9 o'clock the fire department was called to the corner of Douglas and Water streets. The drug store belonging to Dr. A. B. Butterfield caught fire from a gasoline stove which was in the rear of the store. The building was completely destroyed, but the building did not suffer much. The drug stock was insured for \$2,000 and the building for the same amount.

At 7 o'clock last evening the department was called to the corner of Market and Eleventh streets, but the alarm proved to be a false one.

TRAP SHOOT AT NEWTON

Railroad Makes One and One Third Rate.

Misses George Douglas and Frank Hamilton of Newton were in town yesterday with local sportsmen about their trap shooting tournament, which opens February 22 and 23. Great inducements are held out by the Newton management, among which are reduced rates of one and one-third reduced local rates and numerous prizes, not to mention a ball for the shooters the night of February 22. There will also be a contest between teams representing Wichita, Hutchinson, Emporia, El Dorado, Newton and Sedgewick, with possibly other towns represented.

Local shooters will spend considerable

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FRISCO STILL DOING BUSINESS

Trouble Between Joint Committee and Frisco Settled.

The difference between the railroad and the Frisco regarding the use of the tracks and switches about the stock yards has been amicably settled, and the Frisco is now ready to handle all of the stock from the east coming to Wichita that may be offered for shipment. The order of the chairman of the joint agency prohibiting the Frisco from using the tracks was only in force for a few hours.

MRS. NOBLE PRENTISS

Will Talk to Wichita Women on Woman's Work.

Mrs. Noble Prentiss of Kansas City is visiting Mrs. R. P. Murdoch. The ladies of the various clubs and Chautauque circles are invited to meet Mrs. Prentiss at Mrs. Murdoch's from 2:30 to 5:30 o'clock today. It is expected that Mrs. Prentiss will talk to the ladies on some phase of woman's work.

MASS MEETING

TO PUSH THE IRRIGATION SUIT

Committee of Farmers Name Thursday February 10.

Some time ago the Eagle announced that the worm had turned, and the long suffering inhabitants of the Arkansas valley had reached the last extremity of endurance in the matter of another state stealing all the water out of the Arkansas river. As is well known, the alfalfa ranches, truck gardens and fruit growers of Colorado all along the water-way, as well as the larger farms and ranches in western Kansas, have extensive intervals and canals tapping the Arkansas river and withdrawing from it all the water for their irrigating purposes, leaving the abutting land owners down this way in perpetual drought. After considerable investigation by able counsel into the legal aspects of the situation, it was determined to prosecute this case in the courts and seek to secure indemnity for this ruthless and serious drain. Some time ago at a joint meeting of Union and Eagle townships in this county, a committee was selected to push this matter and attend to securing subscriptions for the expenses of litigation, and all other matters pertaining to the executive affairs. This committee is composed of H. J. Oldfather, J. W. Harrison, and Representative Silas Rutledge. This committee has issued a call for a mass meeting of the farmers and business men of Sedgewick county for the purpose of perfecting arrangements to prevent the diversion of the Big Arkansas river in Colorado and western Kansas. This mass meeting will be held in Wichita on Thursday, February 10 next, at 10 o'clock in the morning. The notice says that there will be present at this meeting several men who have been active in this fight, and they will be prepared to explain the present status of affairs and give some information as to what the rights of the farmers in the valley are.

J. D. Houston, who has given this matter exhaustive study and consideration, will commence the prosecution of the suit as soon as the funds are raised to meet the expenses of the litigation. This notice follows:

A mass meeting of the farmers and business men of Sedgewick county, Kansas, is hereby called, by authority of a committee selected by a joint meeting of Union and Eagle townships, for the purpose of perfecting arrangements to prevent the diversion of the Big Arkansas river in Colorado and western Kansas. To be held in the basement of the court house in Wichita on Thursday, February 10, 1898, at 10 o'clock a. m.

H. J. OLDFATHER,
J. W. HARRISON,
SILAS RUTLEDGE,
Committee.

January 31, 1898.

JOURNEY THROUGH ENGLAND

Rev. Dr. Stutz's Lecture is Largely Attended.

The Stutz lecture, "A Journey Through England," at the Methodist church last night was unanimously pronounced by every one in the big audience that listened to be one of the most entertaining and instructive lectures delivered here this winter.

Those who have heard the doctor in the past two lectures would be pleased to hear him in others upon English life as he saw it.

COMING LOCAL EVENTS.

Go to the Auditorium Wednesday evening and help the Children's Home.

Harpist meeting of Elizabeth Robekah, 7:30 p. m. Work in the degree. Every member of the degree staff is expected to be present.

The Woman's Mission Circle of the First Baptist church meet this afternoon at 2 o'clock with Mrs. Warshaw, 26 S. Market street.

The Woman's Home Missionary society of the First M. E. church will meet at the parsonage this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Mrs. H. B. Scott, Secretary.

Special communication of A. J. P. P. Lodge, No. 32, A. F. and A. M. this evening at 7:30. Work in the first degree. Visitors welcome. L. T. Ponce, Secretary.

The Silver Cross Circle of the King's Daughters will hold their regular meeting with Mrs. Frank, 48 North Topeka, Thursday, Feb. 2 at 8 p. m. All members are urged to be present.

Regular meeting of Wichita Camera club tonight at 8 o'clock in City building at 8 o'clock. Subject for discussion and demonstration: "Development," by Messrs. Wainwright, Robertson and Vail.

Attention, Soldiers: There will be a meeting of the Wichita Reunion association on Friday next, Feb. 4, at the court house at 2 o'clock p. m. All ex-soldiers are invited. An interesting time is expected. W. L. Burgess, president.

Scottish Rite: A regular meeting of Elmo Lodge of Perfection, No. 9, will be held at the Scottish Rite Cathedral this (Wednesday) evening commencing at 7:30 o'clock. The executive committee have under consideration the matter of remodeling the new temple will make their report, and all members are urged to be present. Henry Wallenstein, V. M.

The Milwaukee Advertising agency of Baltimore has issued their twenty-third edition guide book, which contains a carefully prepared list of all the leading newspapers in the United States and Canada. It is, as usual, a valuable book for advertisers and agents. The firm has had more than twenty-five years experience in the business and know where they are at.

Rev. Riley, pastor of the M. E. church of Kingman, was in the city yesterday and last night for the purpose of attending the district conference now in session there.

BIG DRYING HOUSE

Kansas City Man Wants to Put in Desiccating Works.

ASKS A CITY CONTRACT

Plant to Cost From Two to Three Thousand Dollars.

At the council meeting one week ago the members took up for consideration the matter of contracting with some reliable parties to take care of the city's dead animals, a very essential feature in the health of the community. The question brought out extended debate, not so much because the disposition of these carcasses was a matter of any difficulty, but because some issue features came in to make the matter have other important bearings. Three petitions and propositions were submitted to the council, each having some special favorable qualifications. The first was Mr. Forrest, who already has a desiccating plant just north of the stock yards, the present city scavenger, and R. S. Reed of Topeka and Kansas City. After considerable discussion, it was voted to leave the matter to the health committee, they to be ready to report at the meeting last Monday night. This committee is composed of W. P. Schell, chairman, and Dr. J. M. Mink and W. F. Harling. They did not report Monday night for the reason that they believe they have a plan that will not only be the most satisfactory to the city from the sanitary standpoint, but at the same time will bring new capital into the city and inaugurate a new industry. The present rates in force in the city scavenger contract are \$2 for horses, cows and large animals, and \$1 for dogs, cats, chickens, etc. Mr. Reed's offer is to do this work at the rate of \$1.50 for the large animals, 25 cents for the smaller, and all the pauper work free, providing he be released from the \$10 license. Mr. Forrest, who handles the packing house stuff, will do it for \$1 and pay the license, providing he is paid the same rate for the pauper work. Mr. Reed has been for nearly two years in this business at the stock yards, the hides and pelts being, of course, his primary aim. He expects to put in new boilers and other improvements if the city work requires it.

The health committee has no other motive than to serve the city's interest in every way, and for that reason they propose to move cautiously, and are still considering Mr. Reed's proposition, which so far appears to the committee to be the best for these reasons. He has been in this business for six years in Topeka, where he has a large plant on improved processes, and is also interested in another one at Kansas City. His company is highly recommended by the mayor, city councilmen and other officers of Topeka, and will, if he is awarded the contract here, commence at once the erection of a two-story building to cost \$2,000, put in four large boilers and all other necessary apparatus, and employ all the year quite a number of men. He will locate his plant where the city may elect, though he claims for his new desiccating process that no stench ever emanates from the works, even as far as the street on which it may be located.

While Mr. Reed does not hold out against the paying of the license on the conditions regarding the pauper work, yet he feels that with the other extra inducements offered to the city, the city would be getting the best of the deal. The new building and improved apparatus, and the fact that the city would be getting the best of the deal.

The committee will be ready to report at the next regular meeting, and much interest is manifested in what the report will be, but one of the men here assured a reporter for the Eagle last evening that they look with great favor on the proposition of Mr. Reed. Any permanent improvement in the way of buildings and fixed lines of improvement are at all times desirable for the prosperity and growth of the city, especially so when these improvements at the same time do most of another necessary thing in the city's affairs. Some members here, however, do not like the idea of the city's dead animals and all things considered, it is the present feeling of the committee that Mr. Reed's is the best plan to pursue.

CITY IN BRIEF

Mr. Otto Eckstein left yesterday morning for Newton.

Mr. N. P. Frasier of El Dorado was in the city last evening.

Mr. Cash Henderson has returned from a business trip to St. Louis.

Probate Judge Haymaker is in Newton attending to some business matters.

Mr. Harry Jordan of Wellington was in the city yesterday for a short time.

Officer Pryor killed a mad dog on South Emporia avenue yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Joe Waters left yesterday morning over the Santa Fe for Leonard, Texas.

Major W. N. Ewing returned yesterday from a several days trip to Kilauea.

Mr. W. A. Betts is home from Topeka where he attended the Kansas Day exercises.

Mr. P. A. Rohrbaugh will leave this morning for Belle Plaine on a short business trip.

Mr. L. D. Back of Valley Center was in the city yesterday attending to some shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert V. Howlett will leave today on a short pleasure trip to the City of Mexico.

Mr. Charles Jones left last evening for Great Bend to inspect the Knight Templar commandery there.

Miss Annie Smith of Emporia was in the city yesterday and while here was the guest of the Munshausen.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Connors of Wellington spent a few hours in the city yesterday while enroute to Kansas City.

Mrs. Dayton Mansell, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Erick, left yesterday for her home in El Reno.

Mr. Tom Russell, formerly of this city, left for his home in Kansas City yesterday morning after spending several days here with friends.

Miss Pearl Murdoch and Miss Leona Stoller will leave this morning for El Dorado, where they will be the guests of relatives for a few days.

Miss Flo Campbell, one of Newton's prominent society girls, has returned to her home after visiting with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Burns for several days.

Mrs. E. M. Brown will on Thursday evening entertain the Ladies Aid Society of the Reformed church at tea at her home on South Lawrence avenue.

Dr. J. W. Gray of Bloomfield, Ind., arrived in Wichita Tuesday to visit with his son, Mr. M. S. Gray and daughter Mrs. Frank Brooks of North Topeka avenue.

Mrs. Laura Jewett of Decoto, Kansas, is visiting the family of her nephew, E. B. Jewett of this city. Mrs. Jewett is the widow of E. T. Jewett's brother who moved to Kansas in 1865. She has a son who was born on the day that Colonel Ellsworth was shot, and she named her son "Colonel Ellsworth Jewett."

AFTER THE MIDLAND

Oklahoma Points Offering Big Inducements.

Last Monday night T. H. Griffith, chairman of the Traffic Freight Bureau, a local organization for the promotion of lower freight rates for this city and the southwest, met with the Commercial club and asked for their cooperation in getting the Kansas-Midland railway to extend their line to some point in Oklahoma or Indian Territory. Mr. Griffith was seeking a consensus of opinion of the business men. At that meeting two of the Midland officials were present. Two or three proposed lines have been discussed, but of course nothing definite will be done until there is authority take the matter up. It is thought that Mr. Griffith was getting the sentiment so that the officials could report to the directors of the road. It is in the range of possibilities that the road will commence to extend their line about the middle of the coming summer, or not later than the early fall. There is no question but that a connection with the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad would be of great advantage to this city. Another thing, it would make coal considerably cheaper. The Commercial club took favorable action and offered to lend all the assistance possible. Yesterday the club received the following letter which augurs well for the extending of the line into the Oklahoma country:

"White Rock, O. T., Jan. 25, 1898.

"The Commercial Club, Wichita, Kan.

"Gentlemen:—Finding an account in the Wichita Eagle of a line of road to be built south from Wichita through this country, we being centrally located and in the best part of the Strip, would, as is natural, like a railroad. The people here are willing to give substantial aid to that end. We would like to get all of the general information you can give us. We think it would be advantageous for us to cooperate with these people. Yours very truly,

(Signed) "R. M. WHITE"

Secretary Gordon, for the Commercial club, has acknowledged the above. As there are several towns in Oklahoma that desire the road to be built to their town, it is yet impossible to tell just where it will go to. However, it is certain that when the proper time comes capital and credit will be lent out to make a thorough investigation of all of the country, and from their report will depend in a large measure the route to be taken.

MUSIC AND DRAMA

"SOUTH BEFORE THE WAR"

The "South Before the War" will be at the Crawford Grand tonight. It is an entertainment worthy of the attention of all theater goers and lovers of good singing and dancing and the fun of minstrelsy. The company is composed of fifty artists all of whom are noted for their peculiar talent, and they depict a story of true Southern life in slavery times. Although the company is largely composed of colored performers, the principal characters are taken by white artists who stand prominently in the front ranks of minstrelsy. The stage pictures are certainly true to nature. The cotton picking scene, with the colored people picking cotton on the plantation, and the rich melody by the company awaken every sympathetic and music-loving soul.

To Mr. Martell belongs the credit as originator in bringing before the public the artistic talents of the colored people, and to the writer to the artistic and financial success of his venture. It has found many imitators, the majority of whom have more or less pirated versions and transcriptions of his original stage pictures so altered as to avoid the law's interference. It is left to the public to judge for themselves the artistic merits of the play.

The return of the play to the plantation of the famous old steam boat Robert E. Lee, and the amusement of the colored people on the levee, the singing, the acrobatic performance, the artistic and peculiar dancing; the camp meeting on Frog Island, with all the peculiarities of characters usually seen on such occasions and the cake walk which pushes the performance to the limit of entertainment, all of which are free from the now too frequent vulgar nonsense of the every day stage.

A stranger to my side, who had never attended a freeborn lecture said: "I'm afraid I shall not hear, for this is too great an audience for a man to keep quiet." But he did hear. And it did seem as if every one was afraid to move, for fear of losing a single word throughout the evening. It was not a stereotyped exhibition, yet nothing else but a stereotyped would have illustrated and made plain the intricate scientific facts. Nothing but a stereotyped could have shown the forms that the way sounds make in the air when a man sings and a major key may be sounded on the violin. Can you imagine how they look, or how the song of a cricket looks when he is piping away about 13,000 wave sounds a second? To listen to the scientific part of Prof. DeMotte's lecture was like an evening with Prof. Tyndall in his wonderful book "Sound as a Mode of Motion."

Only Prof. DeMotte made it far more entertaining and vividly realistic. And later on in the evening, when Prof. DeMotte stood on more moral grounds, I kept asking to myself: "He is a second Prof. Tyndall." Some of our learned phrases with new meanings along there "Tricks of Thought that Booms Words," "Carlyle's Vision of the Future," "The Physical Basis of Character," Prof. DeMotte closed with three maxims, which I give you: First: Conserve your vitality; second: have an inward reverence for your body; third: thoughts are deeds and may become crimes. As I picked up my hat to go to the stranger at my side, who I suppose was a Presbyterian and a college graduate, he said: "I have heard of you in twenty-five years twelve sermons altogether that have given me the moral impulse for good that this one lecture has." And yet DeMotte is not a preacher. But when he talks to you about "denaturation of health and thought cells" and actually shows them to you on canvas, and as you see their denaturation of character, you feel that you must make up your mind to leave the seat off—Evening Herald, Augusta.

THERE IS A CLASS OF PEOPLE

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O. It is a pure grain, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it with pleasure. It does not cost over 1c as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. It is 25c per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

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One hundred pieces of Bunting, slightly soiled, worth 7 1-2c; at our Removal Sale 2¹/₂c

Twenty pieces of Duck Suitings. You can't equal them at 10c; now only 7³/₄c

One lot of Heavy Chambray Shirts; 10c is the regular price we get; now only 5c

Two hundred Extra Nice Night Gowns, finely made, worth \$1.25; see the window filled; each 79c

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20 lbs Nip Lemon Climes, Evaporated, extra quality, 5 lbs 35
Coffee, packages 30
Colorado Pink Potatoes 80
Colorado White Potatoes 70
Best and Sweetest of All—

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TO HIRE
Help

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Your Business

TO RENT
Rooms

TO SELL
Your Bike

Or in fact if you
want to buy, sell
or rent anything.

SUNDAY'S EAGLE

No one who merchant tries to make customers take what he knows they do not want. He will not substitute goods of doubtful value for those of demonstrated merit.

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Of satisfaction is worth a ton of talk. Our Clothing, Furnishings and Hats are the satisfactory sort. Any time you buy anything from us that doesn't prove to be so, bring it here and we'll buy it back from you, for just what you paid.

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